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1. The harbor of Memel has rapidly been brought back to its normal loading capacity.
2. The docks have been improved and enlarged. There are four cranes of two to seven tons each operating in the harbor, as well as a steam-driven crane of fifteen tons. A mobile electric crane of forty-five tons, brought from Germany, is being erected; it has a special arrangement for the loading of tanks.
3. All the saw-mills in the large surrounding district are working at full capacity, and large quantities of cement and iron for reinforcement have been delivered.
4. Three batteries of two 150-180 mm guns each are built into reinforced "bunkers". Eight such batteries are to be constructed for the protection of the harbor.
5. Submarine chasers, torpedo-boats, TBDs and submarines have been observed in the harbor. Over 2,000 Soviet sailors are stated to be quartered on the whole of the "Frische Nehrung".
6. The "Frische Hall" from which the civilian population has been evacuated is strengthened by fortifications and naval guns of German origin.

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